

The Homer Fitts Co., Inc.

"The Store Where Quality Counts"

The Last Day is Greater Than the First Our Anniversary and Reorganization Sale

is a contradiction to age. It never ceases to grow in size. You are sure to find that to-morrow will be the banner day of this great sale. Therefore, Saturday offers you your greatest opportunity for savings.



New Winter Coats

Former prices \$10.95 to \$14.00

8.98

New Winter Coats

Former prices \$15.00 to \$22.50

10.98

Dress Goods of the Homer Fitts Quality at Clearance Prices

The more Dress Goods you buy at this sale, the greater your future savings. We need not tell you what these same qualities will be in the future—you are quite familiar with price tendencies. We advise immediate action, as in many of the choicest pieces the yardage is limited.

- \$2.50 All Wool Novelty Mixture Suitings, 56 and 48 inches wide, Sale Price, \$1.98 yd.
- \$2.25 All Wool Broadcloth, 56 inches wide, especially good for coats, Sale Price \$1.69
- \$2.00 All Wool Novelty Suiting, 54 inches wide, Sale Price, \$1.49 yd.
- \$1.75 Striped Wool Serge, 51 and 54 inches wide, Sale Price, \$1.39 yd.
- \$1.50 Novelty Stripes, 54 and 40 inches wide, Sale Price, \$1.29
- \$1.25 Wool Crepe and Novelty Mixtures, 40 and 60 inches wide, Sale Price, 98c yd.
- \$1.00 Novelty Mixtures and Plaids, 36 and 42 inches wide, Sale Price, 49c yd.
- 75c Checked Mohair and Suitings, 36 and 42 inches wide, Sale Price, 49c yd.
- \$2.75 Chiffon Broadcloth, 54 inches wide, Sale Price, \$2.29 yd.
- \$2.00 Brocaded Charmeuse and Figured Crepe de Chine, 40 inches wide, Sale Price, 98c yd.
- Remnant lengths of Dress Goods, Silks, Crepes and Satins marked away below cost for quick clearance.



New Winter Coats

Former prices \$25.00 to \$32.50

16.50

New Winter Coats

Former prices \$37.50 to \$40.00

22.50

Sewing Machines Less Than Cost

The chance of a lifetime

- \$45.00 "New Home" Machines \$22.49
- \$40.00 "New Home" Machines 19.98
- \$35.00 "Standard" Machines 17.48

Winter Coats for 98c

Last call on these odd sizes in Women's and Misses' Winter Coats in Plain and Fancy Mixtures. Only a few left, so you had better hurry. While they last 98c

BETHEL

Charles C. Aikens, Aged 84, Died on January 2.

Charles C. Aikens, aged 84 years, died at his home in Bethel, Jan. 2, after an illness of six years, during the last three months of which he was confined to his bed. The funeral was held this afternoon. Mr. Aikens was the son of the late Solomon Aikens of Royalton and was born in that town. He is survived by a son, Seth B. Aikens and three grandsons, Francis Aikens, who is at a military training camp in Alabama; Forrest Aikens, a mess sergeant at Camp Devens, and Clifford Aikens, a student at Woodstock high school. He also is survived by a brother, Capt. Joseph P. Aikens of West Lebanon, N. H. His wife, who was Jane Padlock, died six years ago last summer.

Leon Come, who is employed on a farm at New Haven, was at home for the holidays.

Mrs. Eddie Batchelder has received a letter from her son, Denzil F. Rice, who is with the army in France.

Chief Whitney and his men were called twice yesterday by still alarms to put out threatening chimney fires, one at Mrs. Eliza F. Miller's on River street and one in the Whitney house occupied by William C. Bingham on North Main street. The firemen did good work in both cases and no fire outside the chimney developed in either case.

The fuel committee recommends that users of coal substitute wood as much

GRANITEVILLE

The ladies of the Red Cross realized a neat sum from the supper served at the gymnasium New Year's eve. At the meeting on Thursday it was voted that this money be used to purchase some little remembrance for each boy from Graniteville now in federal service. Will the parents or some friend of each one of these young men who are away from upper and lower Graniteville leave their names and addresses with Mrs. A. N. Roach or Mrs. N. A. MacDonald before next Thursday? This matter should receive prompt attention, that none of our boys will be neglected.

The following articles have been completed in Graniteville since June, 1917, and contributed to the Barre branch of the Red Cross: 46 suits pajamas, 35 pairs stockings, 23 convalescent gowns, 24 surgical shirts, 11 pajama trousers, six pairs wristers, 9 sleeveless sweaters, 18 napkins, 4 eye bandages, 1 helmet, 1 scarf, 1 washcloth.

Mrs. William Fraser and son, Duncan Fraser, of Watertown, N. Y., have returned to their home after spending the holidays with friends here.

TOPSHAM

Topsham creamery paid its patrons 33 cents for November butter.

P. J. McNamara was at South Ryegate Monday.

Miss Agnes M. McLam is on the sick list.

Roosevelt Leet was a business visitor at Bradford recently.

Mrs. Richard LaPoint, who has been spending two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Hattie B. Sawyer, returned to Beecher Falls Tuesday.

Mrs. Frank Smith, who has been spending several days at Newbury with her parents, returned home Tuesday.

Earl Hood spent several days at East Bethel last week, returning home Sunday.

Owing to the severity of the weather Sunday school and evening service were omitted Sunday.

The recent cold weather has been the most severe experienced in a long time. Mercury registered from 26 to 48 degrees below zero.

Renewals and subscriptions will be gladly received by your correspondent, Mrs. P. J. McNamara.

The following is a letter received by Mrs. George Hall from her son, Private Robert W. Hall:

France, Dec. 1, 1917.

Dear Mother: You will be glad to hear that we all got across the pond all right, and are safe and sound in camp. We had a nice trip across, although it was a bit rough, and most of us got a little seasick. The weather is cold and damp, although the grass is green and the gardens are looking fine. One place they have gathered the garden, and nothing is left but a few corn stalks. In the next garden the potatoes are nice and green, and onions and turnips and stuff are just coming up. Funny isn't it? We are not allowed to stamp our letters, so I suppose you will have to pay postage. Has Dad got my insurance policy I took from the government while I was in Washington? If not, I will find out about it. Has Tink been drafted yet? How did Ira come out? You will not hear from me as often over here, as I understand mail doesn't go but once a month. Anyway, I can't write again until I get somewhere to buy paper and envelopes. How is farming these days? How are Bertha and the kids? As near as I can find out everything here is about twice as expensive as at home. We were working downtown one day and sent a fellow out to get a lunch, and he had to pay 60 cents for a cake as big as a pie, and everything else accordingly. There is a difference of five hours and 15 minutes in time between here and home. When it is noon with you people it is 5:15 p. m. here. Well, I don't think of any more to write about now, so will close for this time, hoping to hear from you as often as you find time to write. Rob.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

None of the schools in town will open until Jan. 14. Supt. W. F. Glover.

Special communication of Graniteville, No. 25, F. and A. M., Friday, Jan. 4, at 7:30 p. m. Work, F. C. degree. Per order W. M.

BARRE DAILY TIMES

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4, 1918.

The Weather

Fair and colder to-night. Saturday fair, except snow and not so cold in Vermont; fresh north winds.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Read Shea's rubber adv., page 5. Get your share of the bargain plums in the annex at Fitts' Saturday.

Alex Hurry went to Springfield yesterday to make a stay of indefinite length. Mrs. W. E. Alexander of Graniteville went to Burlington yesterday for a visit of a few days.

Grab extravagance by the throat and join the 1918 Thrift club at the Quarry Savings Bank & Trust Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Eaton of Fitchburg, Mass., are guests of Dr. and Mrs. A. H. Smith of Keith avenue.

A regular meeting of the ladies of Clan Gordon will be held Friday, Jan. 4, at 7:15 p. m. Installation of officers.

A meeting of the Burns club will be held in Clan Gordon hall Friday, Jan. 4, at 7:30 p. m. Per order president.

Mrs. Lucia Gile of Burlington returned home this morning, after visiting over New Year's with Mrs. W. F. Cutler.

Benjamin Gasparello of Washington street returned yesterday from a business visit of two weeks to New York.

Not how much, but how often you save, is what counts by joining the 1918 Thrift club at the Quarry Savings Bank & Trust Co.

Edward Livendale, who has been passing the holidays at his home here, returned yesterday to Springfield, Mass., where he is employed.

On Wednesday evening, Jan. 16, a dance will be given in Howland hall for the benefit of the Knights of Columbus war fund. Carroll's orchestra.

Regular meeting of M. P. U. local 488, Jan. 6, at 3:30. Every member is requested to be present. Installation of officers. W. J. Gilherson, Sec.

Joseph Stumpf, who is taking a vacation from his duties in the Bennett garage on Jefferson street, is visiting his brother and brother-in-law in New York City.

Peter Giachero of Smith street, who recently resigned his position in the N. D. Phelps Co.'s store, left to-day for Buffalo, N. Y., where he is to attend school.

Installation of the recently elected officers of Vincenza lodge, K. of P., which was to have taken place New Year's night, has been postponed for a fortnight.

Mr. and Mrs. William W. Russell and children of Laurel street have returned from Quincy, Mass., where they spent several days in the home of the former's brother, Alex Russell.

You can reduce the mortgage on your home by starting a Christmas club account now and applying your check next Christmas as a payment on the principal. Come in to-day. Barre Savings Bank & Trust Co.

George P. Coffin of Freeport, Me., and C. A. Ballou of Worcester, Mass., who have been staying at Hotel Barre while here to pass judgment on the exhibits at the state poultry show, left for their respective homes.

The North Barre Red Sox met last night and fixed Jan. 25 for the banquet and dance, which is to be held in lieu of the projected sleighride. The affair will be held in Howland hall and Carroll's orchestra has been retained to furnish music during the supper hour and for the dance.

The Sox committee is sending out invitations for the gathering and a large attendance is anticipated.

The regular monthly meeting of the Men's club of the First Presbyterian church, postponed for a week because of the holiday, will be held Tuesday evening, when Supt. George J. Seager of the Barre Town schools will give a series of selected readings. Because of a desire to conserve fuel, it is possible that the church vestry will not be heated for the occasion. In such an event, the club will adjourn to the home of one of its members.

On the last lap of their questionnaire task, the Washington county local board is preparing the final 160 for the mails and by Jan. 9, the work of mailing blanks to the registrants of Washington county will have been completed. Work in connection with the questions is by no means completed, for each day's mail brings many replies, which must be examined as to their accuracy and then filed. Then, too, the board is having to deal with a considerable number of cases where the registrants have failed to make proper return, or who have not replied at all.

With shivering interest people awaited the turn of weather events this morning and were agreeably surprised when the mercury turned tail and beat it back over the path which has led in but one direction for the past week. Sub-zero readings of 10 and 12 were reported this morning, yet for all of the cold the weather was warmer by some 20 degrees than it was yesterday. The capricious weather man who substituted colder weather for a promised warm spell early in the week gave further evidence of his vagaries by sending light frosts instead of the cold wave predicted. Very few stoneheads were busy to-day, as the majority plan to utilize the remainder of the week thawing out pipes and making other preparations for a real storm Monday morning.

Slow movement of passenger trains will continue until the cold spell is fairly past, in the opinion of railroad men, who cite conditions on the main line of the Central Vermont railroad to show the wisdom of ordering all locomotive engineers to proceed slowly. It is stated that score of split rails between West Berlin and Waterbury have been removed during the past week. Only yesterday 10 new rails were laid on the track between Montpelier Junction and West Berlin and the Middlesex section crew replaced three damaged lengths. A competent patrol system has been inaugurated to supplement the usual vigilance of the section department, and a repetition of the split rail accident in which 13 freight cars were recently derailed is not anticipated.

Wood and to spare is available for the city's poor as the result of an energetic canvass made by Chairman Henry Alexander and the aldermanic charity committee and Overseer William McDonald, who have caused to be dumped in the city lot at the rear of the Church street schoolhouse a quantity that will take care of the department needs for several days. Added to this, the supply is being replenished constantly from the woodlot recently lumbered by H. G. Bennett on the Montpelier road. The wood is purchased in four-foot lengths from the D. M. Miles Coal Co., and while some trouble has been encountered in getting it saved, hard labor is to be supplanted by a circular saw in the new future. One woman who called on the overseer yesterday was so anxious to get firewood that she offered to saw it herself if it would expedite matters any. Many of the family heads who are depending on the city for fuel are widows.

Union Dry Goods Company

— OUR —

January Clearance Sale

Begins Tomorrow, Saturday—It's the biggest money-saving event of the whole year. See our large adv. on page 3 for full particulars. EVERYONE COME.

THE UNION DRY GOODS COMPANY

TALK OF THE TOWN

Suits at one-half price at Abbott's. Miss Elizabeth Spence left to-day for Saco, Me.

Thrift before pleasure by joining the 1918 Thrift club at the Quarry Savings Bank & Trust Co.

Boys and girls! Get your compositions in, as to-morrow is the last day to get a diary. They are going fast. People's National Bank.

MONTPELIER

Alimony Case of Verna Robinson Vs. Ernest Robinson Continued.

Before Judge L. P. Slack this morning the payment of temporary alimony by the petitioner in the case of Verna Robinson vs. Ernest Robinson was continued and the matter placed on bail, it having been shown that he was trying to do something along the line of payments.

It was a citation that he was in contempt of court because he had not been paying the alimony. The case was continued for 60 days.

Ice races will take place Saturday afternoon if the present weather conditions prevail, said Secretary A. W. Daley this morning. Three classes have been filled and there seems to be quite a desire for the pastime this winter.

The regular meeting of the Capital Poultry show will take place this evening in C. W. Luce's barber shop, making preparations for the show, which takes place next week in city hall. No admission fee is charged at the show this year.

W. B. Worthing and A. E. White went to Randolph this afternoon to install the encampment officers.

Charles Hoyt, who was injured some weeks ago by the wreck near Williams-town, has resumed his employment on the Central Vermont railway. He has bid off trains Nos. 9 and 4, and therefore, leaves Montpelier at 9:15 in the morning, returning in the evening. His place on the branch passenger train has been placed for bids.

Miss Beatrice M. Reed, who has been employed in Athol, Mass., has accepted an appointment in the civilian personnel department of the federal government.

Sheriff F. H. Tracy left this morning for Rutland with Julia Guyer, who is committed to the house of correction for a term of 18 months from Barre city court on the charge of open and gross lewdness.

Joseph Coates was moved to Heaton hospital this morning for treatment.

They Are Heroes, Sure.

Over two thousand wounded Canadian soldiers arrived recently in this country. They were on their way home from Canada, several coming via Essex Junction, to take up their life again as best they may in their crippled condition. All of them were incapacitated for further military service, many of them having lost an arm, or leg, or eye on the battlefields of Flanders. But in spite of their terrible condition, they were cheerful, even hilarious, and did not appear to have lost any of their spirit or youthful gaiety. And yet these men had just cause for despondency.

They had been through more than two years of hard service. They had left thousands of their comrades in Flanders and France, still fighting in the cause of liberty; and other thousands who are sleeping in a soldier's grave. But still they are cheerful and can look the future in the face, crippled as they are, without wincing or whining.

Such bravery makes one almost love a life that would put so fine a spirit in men while those of us at home complaining over our petty troubles—corn bread instead of wheat, one lump of sugar instead of two for our coffee and worry about coal and wood shortage. Why, very likely these boys were out in the cold for days at a time, standing in snow or water up to their knees, never feeling artificial light, or heat day or night. But they made light of discomfort and duty a pleasure. They showed a spirit of patriotism and heroism that ought to make us thankful for them and do all we can for such, which includes our boys at the front, in the way of generous contributions of money and other things that will go towards aiding in making them happy and comfortable.—Morrisville News and Citizen.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

WORK WANTED—Sober, reliable man wants work; call at 33 Branch street, or phone 48-2. 24819

WANTED AT ONCE—Good man to work on farm; inquire of A. Farquhar, East Hill, tel. 328-12. 24820

LOST—On the road from North Barre to East Cabot, a shooting binder will be rewarded by bringing it to V. Bruno, 213 North Main street, Barre. 24819

Be Corseted for Comfort and Style

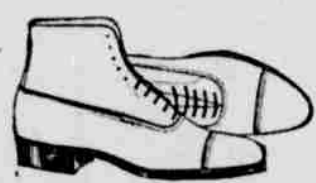
You may be fitted to a front or a back lace corset, as your figure requires, at prices ranging from \$1.00 to \$6.50.

Received, a few new samples in Serge Dresses, also a few Serge, Silk and Velvet Dresses left in our stock at reduced prices.

Georgette, Crepe de Chine, and Voile Blouses.

All Hats reduced in price.

Mrs. Shepard Co. Inc.



Big Discount Sale on Shoes

From Friday, January 4th to Monday, January 21st, you will have the privilege of buying Footwear at a discount of 10 cents on the dollar, in order that we may reduce our stock before taking our annual invoice. This will not apply to rubber goods nor any sales that are not strictly cash.

People's Shoe Store

C. S. ANDREWS, Prop.

14 State St., Montpelier

North Main St., Barre

Candy for the Children

Good Old Fashioned Molasses Candy, regular price, 30c

SPECIAL for SATURDAY, 25c lb.

The Barre Candy Kitchen

A Cure for Cold Feet While Driving

Clark Carriage Heaters and Genuine Clark Coal

C. W. Averill & Co.

Telephone 500

Barre, Vermont

Start the New Year Right

by becoming one of our customers.

Our thirty years of experience among you, and constantly increasing business, speaks well of the methods we employ.

Our policy will be continued in the future as in the past. Always at your service.

The Frank McWhorter Co.